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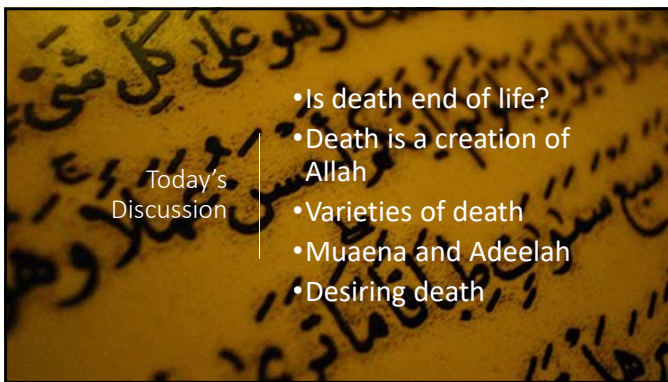
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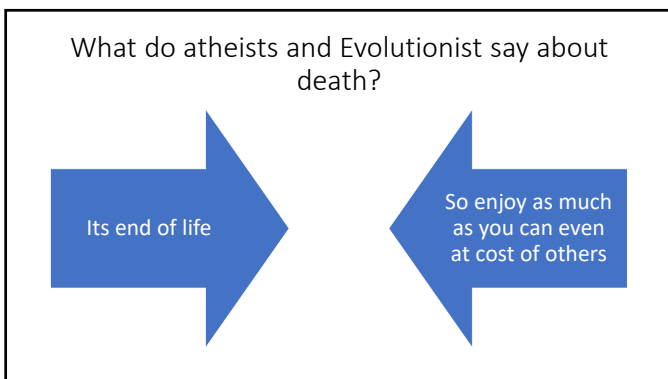
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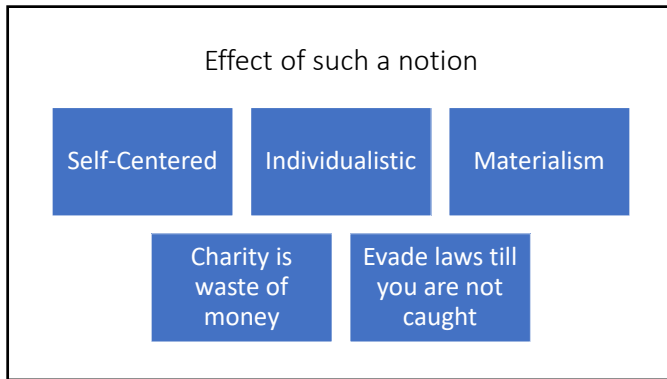
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One of the reason for failure of communism

- During recession and change there needs to be sacrifice
- Why should I sacrifice for others?
- What I am going to get in return?

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Some believe death will result in reincarnation?

- It leads to accepting your present state as a result of previous life
- If you are poor its because of sins of your previous life
- It discourages hard work to change the situation
- Such a belief may be good for the ruling classes but not for the oppressed masses of the world.

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There is purpose of  
creating life and death

"Blessed be He... Who  
has created death and  
life, so that He might test  
you which of you is most  
righteous in action."

Surah Mulk (69): Verses 1-2



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What has to be done as  
part of this test?

عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ع فِي قَوْلِ اللَّهِ عَزَّ وَ جَلَّ- لِيَبْلُوَكُمْ أَيُّكُمْ أَحْسَنُ  
عَمَلًا قَالَ لَيْسَ بِغَيْرِ أَكْثَرِ عَمَلًا وَ لَكِنْ أَصْوَبَكُمْ عَمَلًا وَ إِنَّمَا  
الْإِصْبَابُ خَشْيَةُ اللَّهِ وَ النَّيَّةُ الْمُسْتَقِيمَةُ وَ الْحَسَنَةُ

Imam Sadiq (a.s.) said explaining the  
phrase said '..so that he might test  
you which of you is most righteous'  
said: It does not mean excess of the  
action but the actions that are most  
desirable . Surely, the most desirable  
action is to **fear Allah with sincere  
intention and good actions.**



(Al kafi 2/16)

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If we are afraid of  
Allah's punishment?

- Our life will be  
different
- We will have piety
- We will help others
- Change in social and  
personal life



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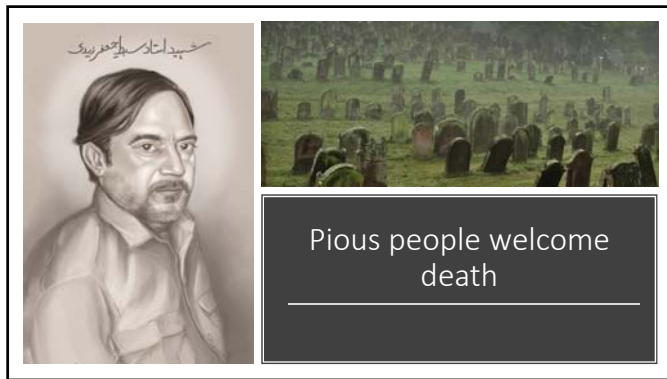
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Pious people welcome death

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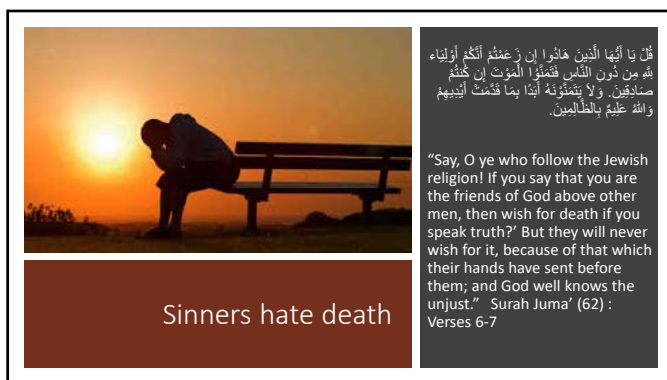
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سَيِّئَاتِهِمْ أَتَىٰ يَوْمَ دَأَىٰ لَهُمُ الْبُزْءَ ۖ وَجَاءَ السَّاعَةُ ۚ وَهُمْ لَا يَصْعَدُونَ ۚ  
 اللَّهُمَّ عَلِيمٌ بِالظَّالِمِينَ.

"Say, O ye who follow the Jewish religion! If you say that you are the friends of God above other men, then wish for death if you speak truth?" But they will never wish for it, because of that which their hands have sent before them; and God well knows the unjust." Surah Juma' (62) : Verses 6-7

Sinners hate death

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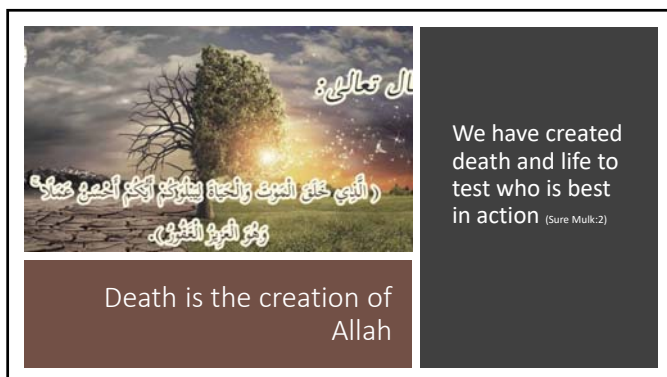
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وَلَمْ يَكُن لَّهُمْ فِيهِ مَوْلًى ۚ وَكُلُّ الْأُمَّةِ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ ۚ وَلِئَلَّامُ الْيَوْمِ ۚ

We have created death and life to test who is best in action (Sure Mulk:2)

Death is the creation of Allah

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Life after death will be more sharper

Surah Qaaf (The letter 'qaaf')

لَقَدْ كُنْتُمْ فِي غَفْلَةٍ مِّنْ هَٰذَا فَكَشَفْنَا عَنْكَ غِطَاءَكَ  
فَبَصَرُكَ الْيَوْمَ حَدِيدٌ

[50:22] Certainly you were heedless of it, but now  
We have removed from you your veil, so your  
sight today is sharp.

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Three things as test

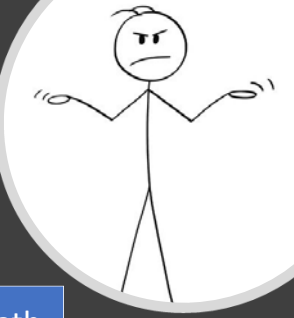
لَوْ لَا ثَلَاثَةٌ فِي ابْنِ آدَمَ مَا طَاطَأَ رَأْسُهُ شَيْءَ الْمَرَضِ وَ الْمَوْتِ وَ الْفَقْرِ وَ كُلُّهُمْ فِيهِ وَ إِنَّهُ لَمَعْنِي وَ ثَلَاثٌ

Holy Prophet (saw) said: If three things would not have been there in sons of Adam nothing would have stopped him from raising his head: the disease, the death and the poverty and he is insolent (rebellious) even after that

Poverty

Disease

Death



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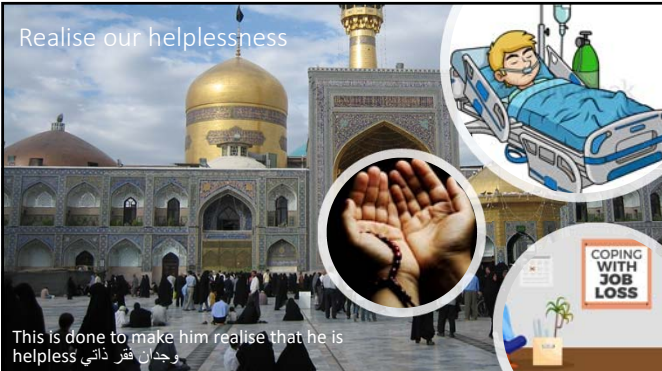
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Realise our helplessness



This is done to make him realise that he is helpless  
وَجَدَانِ فَقَرٌ ذَاتِي

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Pleads when death comes !!!

"Till the time the death comes to anyone of them he say: Return me (Moamenoon: 99)

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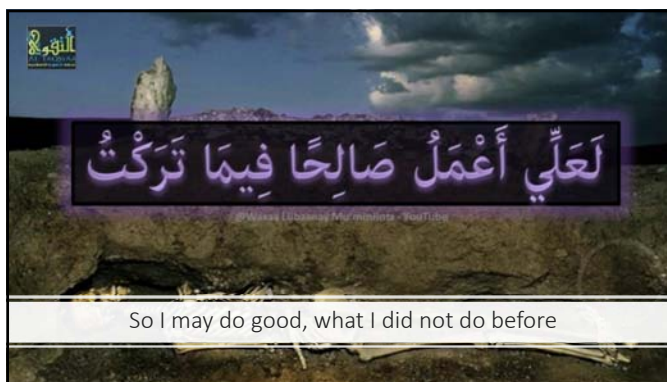
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So I may do good, what I did not do before

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Old habits die hard

كَلَّا إِنَّهَا كَلِمَةٌ هُوَ قَائِلُهَا وَمِنْ وَرَائِهِمْ بَرْزَخٌ إِلَى يَوْمِ يُبْعَثُونَ

Nay ! This are the just the word uttered by him and behind them is the Barzakh till the day they are raised" (Moamenoon:99)

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We waste the golden opportunity

بئس العبد عند خلق للعبادة فآلهته  
العاجلة عن الآجلة

Imam Ali a.s said: Worst of the servant is the one who has been created for worship but indulgence in this world keeps him away from hereafter



(Behar vol 69 /200)

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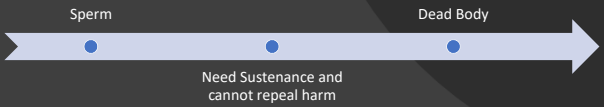
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We are full of helplessness

مَا لَابْنِ آدَمَ وَالْفَخْرَ أَوَّلُهُ نُطْفَةٌ وَ آخِرُهُ جِيفَةٌ وَ لَا يَزُرُقُ نَفْسَهُ وَ لَا يَدْفَعُ حَتْفَهُ

What has happened to son of Adam that he is haughty that: his beginning is sperm and the end is dead body and he is not able to provide sustenance to himself nor can repel calamities (Nahjul Balagah : hikmah 454)



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**TOMORROW NEVER COMES**

We don't take death seriously

مَا أَنْزَلَ الْمَوْتَ حَقَّ مَنَزَلَتِهِ  
مَنْ عَدَّ غَدًا مِنْ أَجَلِهِ

One who includes tomorrow in his life then he has not taken death in its position (Behar 6/130)

Means one who feels that he will do a thing tomorrow has not taken death seriously

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## We have doubt in death

- Our doubt in death is evident from drowning in this world.
- Charity: Yourself or Heir
- A person having certainty will prepare.



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## Varieties of death



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## How the death comes to the sinner?

Ibrahim (a.s.) said to Malekul Maut (a.s.) whether he can show him his face when he comes to take the soul of a sinner. He said for sure but you will not be able to bear it. Then the angel of death asked him to turn and he turned and he saw:

- a black man standing in front of him with erect hairs,
- smell emanating from him and his mouth,
- and he was emanating fire and smoke from his mouth.

Seeing this Ibrahim a.s. fainted. When he regained his consciousness Ibrahim said that **if a sinner just sees your face it is sufficient.**



(Behar 6/143)

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Do we have capacity to  
sustain

Prophet Ibrahim a.s was not able to sustain  
who was not afraid when thrown in fire

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فَكَفَيْتْ إِذَا تَوَفَّتْهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ يَضْرِبُونَ وُجُوهَهُمْ وَأَذْبَارَهُمْ

Angels smite the sinners

But how will it  
be when the  
angels cause  
them to die,  
smiting their  
faces and their  
backs. Quran 47:27)

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Death clears a believer of  
sin

الْمَوْتُ كَفَّارَةٌ لِلذُّنُوبِ  
الْمُؤْمِنِينَ.

"Death is the  
compensation for  
the sins of the  
believers." (Behar  
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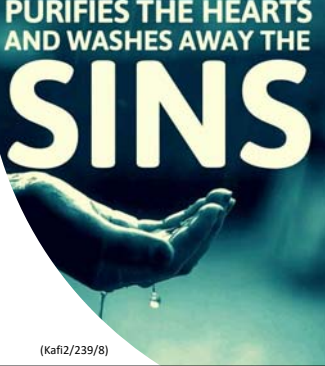
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Repentance is the best solution

لَكُلِّ شَيْءٍ دَوَاءٌ وَ دَوَاءُ الذُّنُوبِ  
الِاسْتِغْفَارُ

Everything has a cure  
and cure for sins is  
asking forgiveness

**PURIFIES THE HEARTS  
AND WASHES AWAY THE  
SINS**



(Kafi2/239/8)

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Benefits of Repentance

مَنْ لَزِمَ الْإِسْتِغْفَارَ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لَهُ مِنْ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ مَخْرَجًا وَ مِنْ كُلِّ ضِيقٍ مَخْرَجًا وَ يَرْزُقُ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَا يَحْتَسِبُ.

Holy Prophet SAW : "One who constantly seeks forgiveness, Allah the Almighty relieves him from every sorrow and grief, from every difficulty a way out and sustains him from where he cannot imagine." (Behar 90/284)

Relief from grief and sorrow	Way out of difficulty	And gives him sustenance
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فَقَالَ لَهُمُ الْحُسَيْنُ ع صَبِرُوا بَنِي الْكَرَامِ فِي الْمَوْتِ  
فَنُظَرُ بِكُمْ عَنْ الْيُوسْرِ وَالْحَيْنِ إِلَى الْبَيْتِ الْحَرَامِ  
الْوَاسِطَةِ وَ الْفَتْحِ الدَّائِمَةِ فَكَيْفَ أَنْ يَنْظُرَ مِنْ سِطْرِ  
الْإِسْلَامِ مَا هُوَ إِلَّا عَذَابُكَ يَا كَرِيمُ الْبَيْتِ مَنْ يَجْعَلُ إِلَى  
صَبْرِي وَ عَزَائِبِي

Imam Zayn al-Abedin narrates that Imam  
Hosain addressed his companions on the  
day of Ashura thus: "Patience! O noble  
ones, for death is painful but a bridge  
which takes you from difficulties and evils  
to vast heavens and permanent bounties.  
Then how many of you will detest being  
transferred from a prison to a palace. And  
it is not for your enemies except that it is a  
transfer from the palace to prison and  
punishment."

Death of  
believer and  
unbeliever



(Behar 91/284)

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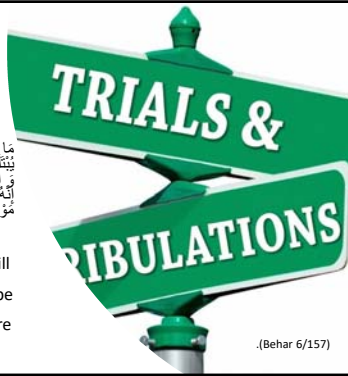
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Believer is cleaned due  
to the pains in death

مَا مِنَ الشَّيْءِ عِنْدَ بَقَايَةِ أَمْرٍ أَنْ يَنْتَظَرَ عَنْهُ فَيَمُوتَ حَتَّى  
يُنْتَلَى بِبَيْتِهِ تَمَحُّصٌ بِمَا دَلَّوْهُ إِلَّا فِي مَالٍ وَ أَمَّا فِي وَلَدٍ  
وَ أَمَّا فِي نَفْسِهِ حَتَّى يُلْقَى إِلَهُ عَزَّ وَ جَلَّ وَ مَا لَهُ ذَنْبٌ وَ  
إِلَهُ يُلْقِي عَلَيْهِ النَّفْسَ مِنْ دَلْوِيهِ فَيَسْتَدِدُّ بِهِ عَلَيْهِ عِنْدَ  
مَوْتِهِ.

Imam Ali said: A person from our Shia  
who dies and was doing actions that we  
have told him to refrain from then he will  
be afflicted on the time of his death to  
cleanse him from the sins and that can be  
**with his wealth, or son or with his own**  
**self** till the time he meets Allah and there  
is no sin on him as he faced a severe  
death to clean him



.(Behar 6/157)

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Tribulations of world are  
nothing

أَكْثَرُوا ذِكْرَ الْمَوْتِ وَ يَوْمَ خُرُوجِكُمْ  
مِنَ الْقُبُورِ وَ قِيَامِكُمْ بَيْنَ يَدَيِ اللَّهِ  
عَزَّ وَ جَلَّ تَهْوَنَ عَلَيْكُمُ الْمَصَائِبُ.

Imam Ali said: Excessive  
remembrance of the  
death and the day you will  
come out of graves and  
your standing in front of  
Allah will lead you to  
realise that the  
tribulations of this world  
are nothing.

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Time of Death

And Allah does not  
respite a soul  
when its  
appointed term  
has come, and  
Allah is Aware of  
what you do  
(Munafeqoon:11)



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مَنْ يَمُوتُ بِالْأَسْوَءِ أَكْثَرُ مِمَّنْ  
يَمُوتُ بِالْأَجَالِ وَ مَنْ يَعْيشُ  
بِالْإِحْسَانِ أَكْثَرُ مِمَّنْ يَعْيشُ  
بِالْأَعْمَارِ

Imam Sadiq (a.s.) said:  
People who dies because  
of their sins are more  
than those who die due  
to their 'Ajal'. And people  
who live due to their  
good action 'Ahsan' are  
more than those who are  
made to live their life

How the time of death is fixed?

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معايينة - Witnessing of Imam Ali  
a.s

Imam Sadiq (a.s.) said that when a person's soul reaches the chest he sees. Narrator asked what he sees. Imam (a.s.) said: he sees Holy Prophet of Allah (s) who gives him glad tidings and then he see Imam Ali (a.s.) who will console the dying person and will tell him that his love would benefit him now.

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Poem of Syed Himyari

يَا حَارُ هَمْدَانِ مَنْ يَمُتْ يَرْنِي      مِنْ مُؤْمِنٍ أَوْ مُنَافِقٍ قُبُلًا

يَعْرِفُنِي طَرْفَهُ وَ أَعْرِفُهُ      بِنَعْتِهِ وَاسْمِهِ وَ مَا عَمِلًا

*"O Haaris-e-Hamdani, one who dies will see me, Either believer or hypocrite, before His eyes; He will recognize me and I will recognize him, by his attribute, name and what he has done. (Behar 6/180)"*

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# TOOLS & TRICKS OF SATAN

(Kafi 3/123)

Loosing of faith during last moment - عديله

مَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ يَخْصُرُهُ الْمَوْتُ إِلَّا وَكَلَّ بِهِ إِبْلِيسُ مِنْ شَيْطَانِيهِ أَنْ يَأْمُرَهُ بِالْكَفْرِ وَ يُشَكِّكُهُ فِي دِينِهِ حَتَّى تَخْرُجَ نَفْسُهُ فَمَنْ كَانَ مُؤْمِنًا لَمْ يَقْدِرْ عَلَيْهِ

Imam Sadiq (a.s.) says:  
To whomsoever death comes, Iblis sends one of his Satan to him who commands him to disbelieve and puts some doubt in his religion till he dies. But whosoever is a (firm) believer, (Iblis) will not overcome him

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## How to save oneself from Adeelah?

# DAD DEEDS

Imam Jafar as-Sadiq (a.s.) wrote to a person: "Do you wish that you may face death while on the Right path? And do you wish that your spirit (*Rooh*) may be removed from your body while you be performing good deeds?"

Then hold Allah's orders dear to yourself and obey them,

and do not waste the bounties offered by Him by being disobedient to Him,

and do not take undue advantage of His Mercy,

nor become arrogant.

Honor those who follow Us

and respect those who love Us."

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## Specific sins that lead to Adeelah?

- Not paying Zakat
- Not going for Hajj
- Intention to commit sins like fornication

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### Desiring death

لَوْ لَا السُّجُودُ لِلَّهِ وَ مَجَالِسُهُ قَوْمٌ يَتَلَفَّظُونَ  
طَيِّبَ الْكَلَامِ كَمَا يُتَلَفَّظُ طَيِّبُ الثَّمَرِ لَتَمَنَيْتُ  
الْمَوْتَ

Salman Farsi said: If it is not for the **prostration of Allah** and **company of people** who say good things then certainly I would have desired the death.



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### Death and Wealth

شَيْئَانِ يَكْرَهُهُمَا ابْنُ آدَمَ يَكْرَهُ الْمَوْتَ وَ الْمَوْتُ رَاحَةٌ لِلْمُؤْمِنِ  
مِنْ الْفِتْنَةِ وَ يَكْرَهُ قِلَّةَ الْمَالِ وَ قِلَّةَ الْمَالِ أَقْلٌ لِلْجَسَابِ.

Holy Prophet said: Son of Adam dislikes two things: He dislikes the death while the death is the relief for a believer from the test in this world and he dislikes scarcity of the wealth while less wealth will lead to less accountability on the day of judgement (Khesal 1/74)



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### Next Topic

Grave and the World of Barzakh



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